SENATE BILL 2528

By Beavers

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, relative to political parties.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Fiscally Responsible Equal Election Diversification Optimization Measures (FREEDOM) Act".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-1-104(a)(23), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

(23) "Recognized minor party" means any group or association that has successfully petitioned by filing with the coordinator of elections a petition which shall conform to requirements established by the coordinator of elections, but which must at a minimum bear the signatures of registered voters equal to at least one and one-half percent (1.5%) of the total number of votes cast for gubernatorial candidates in the most recent election of governor, and on each page of the petition, state its purpose, state its name, and contain the names of registered voters from a single county;

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

it.